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In re Patent Application of

LI et al.

Serial No. 09/182,645

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For: PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS
CONTAINING POLY(ADP-RIBOSE)
GLYCOHYDROLASE INHIBITORS AND
METHODS OF USING THE SAME



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Group: 1617

Examiner: Wang, S.

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

RESPONSE

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated December 1, 1999, the applicants elect, with traverse, the subject matter of Group II for further prosecution in the above. As the Examiner will be searching the same Class (514) and Subclasses (22, 25 and 46), it is unclear how a search of the entire subject matter will be an undue burden on the Examiner and withdrawal of the restriction requirement is requested.

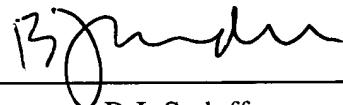
In the event the restriction requirement is maintained, and for completeness, the applicants further elect Group IIB (claims drawn to a composition employing lignin glucoside) for initial examination purposes.

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An early and favorable Action on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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